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Examiner: G. Krishnan

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In re Application of:

De Ambrosi et al.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action issued March 5, 2007, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance based on the remarks set forth below.

A request for a 3-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and fee under 37 C.F.R. §17(a)(3) {check # 7654} is submitted herewith, making the deadline for filing a response, Wednesday, September 5, 2007.

A Notice of Appeal is filed concurrently herewith, along with the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b). (check # 7654)

A terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. §1.321(c) with respect to the commonly assigned U.S. Pat. No. 7,091,337 and the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.20(d), {check # 7654} also accompany this response. The terminal disclaimer is filed to obviate an obviousness-type double patenting rejection set forth in the final Office Action at pages 2-4.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with submission of the response or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-0268</u>.

Applicants' Remarks begin on page 2.